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Man Charged With Hate Crime, Making Criminal Threats

A man has been charged with defacing a synagogue and threatening to injure or kill another man, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Cameron Brunson Blake (dob 9/22/84) was charged in case SA101245 with one count each of vandalism of a religious property, a hate crime, and criminal threats. The case was filed for warrant on Aug. 27.

The defendant is expected to be arraigned today in Department W30 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch.

Deputy District Attorneys Richard Ceballos and Paul Kim of the Organized Crime Division are prosecuting the case.

On Aug. 10, Blake is accused of carving an anti-Semitic slur into a door at a synagogue. Two days later, he allegedly hurled an epithet at a man and his infant daughter in Palisades Park and threatened to injure or kill the man.

Prosecutors are recommending bail be set at \$1 million. If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a possible maximum sentence of six years and eight months in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.